

**JANUARY 9, 2012
CITY OF SENOIA
MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MUNICIPAL COMPLEX
505 HOWARD ROAD**

VISITORS/CITY STAFF: Mayor Robert Belisle, Councilmen Jeff Fisher, Bobby Graham, Maurice Grover, and Larry Owens, City Administrator Richard Ferry, Chief of Police Jason Edens and Deputy City Clerk Linda Denney.

Visitors: Kenneth Etzel, Don Rehman, Joe Cannin, Josh Akeman with the East Coweta Journal, Gary Baumgardner with Home Design Dynamics, Suzanne Helfman, Winston Skinner with Times Herald, and Mary Provost.

FULL COUNCIL PRESENT

1. CALL TO ORDER /WELCOME VISITORS

Mayor Belisle called the meeting to order at 7:00 P M and welcomed all.

- C. Fisher led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Mayor Belisle administered the Oath of Office to Bobby Graham and Maurice Grover. They were re-elected in the November 8, 2011 General Election to serve a 4 year term of office for City Council.

C. Owens made comments concerning the position of Mayor Pro Tem and the possibility of having the position filled on a rotating basis so every member of the council could become familiar with the responsibilities of the Office of Mayor. On a motion by Mayor Belisle, seconded by Larry Owens, all ayes, the agenda was amended to include Item E, number 3 Administrative/Fiscal Matters on tonight's agenda for the discussion of this matter.

2. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 19, 2011 CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

C. Grover made a motion to approve the December 19, 2011 minutes as read; motion was seconded by C. Fisher. Motion carried unanimously.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE/FISCAL MATTER

A. City Hall Renovation Bid Results

City Administrator Richard Ferry reported that the process of renovation of City Hall is underway; bids were received, low bidder being Better Homes Bureau. However, since he has reservations about this company, professionalism, quality of work, etc, he asked for permission to negotiate with the second low bidder, Property Solutions Group, to get them closer to the budget amount for the renovations. Gary Baumgardner, Home Design Dynamics, stated that he has worked with this company before; they have good product delivery and are a good company to work with. Mayor Belisle made motion to approve C.A. Ferry negotiating with Property Solutions

Group to work out an agreement with them. Motion was 2nd by C. Graham and carried unanimously.

B. Set Qualifying Fee

C. Owens made a motion to set the Qualifying Fee for City elected officials at \$90.00 for City Council and \$360.00 for Mayor, seconded by C. Fisher. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Council Retreat-Date and Location

C. Owens made a motion approving the dates of February 24 and 25, 2012 and the location of The Dillard House in Dillard, Georgia for the City Council Retreat, seconded by C. Grover. Mayor Belisle opened up the floor for discussions and Don Rehman expressed some concerns. Mayor Belisle reminded everyone that this is an open meeting and anyone is invited to attend, and that there will be a working agenda to be set at the seconded meeting in January. After a short discussion the motion carried unanimously.

D. Library Parking-Site Lighting

C. Owens made a motion to approve the agreement with Georgia Power for the lighting at the Senoia Area Library parking lot. The initial cost of \$12,100.00 to be paid out of impact fees and the monthly fee of \$22.30 would be set as a line item in the budget. Motion was 2nd by C. Graham. Motion carried unanimously.

E. Mayor Pro-Tem Position Rotation

Mayor Belisle made a motion to appoint Mayor Pro-Tem on a rotating basis, each council member to serve eight months each in this position, with Bobby Graham to serve first rotation. Motion was 2nd by C. Fisher and carried unanimously.

4. OLD BUSINESS

A. Legacy Church 5-K Run

C.A. Ferry presented the Mayor and Council with an outline of activities associated with the proposed Legacy Church 5-K Run. Joe Cannin addressed the council with some concerns about the logistics of the race. C. Owens asked Chief Edens if he was satisfied with what had been discussed so far and he replied yes. Mayor Belisle made a motion to approve the Run as presented and was 2nd by C. Grover. Motion carried unanimously.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. 1st Read-GMEBS Defined Benefit Retirement Plan Update

Mayor Belisle made a motion to approve the first read of the GMEBS Defined Benefit Retirement Plan Update and was 2nd by C. Graham. Motion carried unanimously.

B. 2nd Read-Fishing Ordinance

C. Grover made a motion to approve the second read of the fishing Ordinance and was 2nd by C. Fisher. Motion carried unanimously.

6. APPEARANCES FROM THE FLOOR

No request to address council.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senoia Clean Up Day has been scheduled for April 21st.

8. ADJOURN

Mayor Belisle made a motion to adjourn and was 2nd by C. Owens. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert K. Belisle, Mayor

Debra J. Volk, City Clerk